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As a long time user in the computing industry. I think the measures taken to date to punish Microsoft for its monopolistic stranglehold on the technology industry is by and far to light of a punishment for a corporation that has more money than most countries of the world do. A slap on the wrist is not acceptable. Having Microsoft donate product worth a billion dollars only furthers the monopoly that Microsoft has. The Punishment for Microsoft needs to be something very clear and painful both financially and ethically. It needs to send a clear message that let's them know that there practices have stifled innovation. Microsoft is only happy with innovative products as long as they have come from Microsoft. The world has begun to accept Windows as an innovative platform, despite the fact that there are several other operating systems out there that in most cases offer a better user environment, are more secure and not riddled with errors or "Backdoors" in the coding. Microsoft will never try to make a perfect product, otherwise the entire IT industry as we know it today would be out of work. I would guess Microsoft will never make that perfect product, probably because the company makes as much money on supporting the garbage they have hoisted upon society as they do making the product in the first place. Just my 2 Cents worth. Please consider a tougher sentence and do the right thing for consumers everywhere.

Sincerely,

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